മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: ഡയറക്ടരെ നിയമിച്ചിട്ടുള്ളതു ഗവമ്മെണ്ടല്ലേ?

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. കെ. നായർ: അതെ.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: ഡയറക്ടരുടെ അഭിപ്രായം ശരിയായിട്ടുള്ളതല്ലെ?

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. കെ. നായർ: എല്ലാ കാര്യത്തിലും ഡയറക്ടരുടെ അഭിപ്രായം ശരിയാണെന്നു വകവെച്ചുകൊടുക്കുന്ന ഒരു ഗവമ്മെണ്ടല്ല ഇന്നുള്ളതു്.

മിസ്റ്റർ സി. വി. ഇയ്യു: ഈ വിഷയത്തിൽ വേറെ ഒരു രാജ്യത്തുള്ള പബ്ലിക്ക് ഹെൽത്ത് ഡയറക്ടരോടു് അഭിപ്രായം ചോദിക്കുവാൻ ഇനിയെങ്കിലും ഗവമ്മെണ്ടിനു ദയവുണ്ടാകുമോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. കെ. നായർ: വേണമെന്നുണ്ടെങ്കിൽ എക്സ്പട്ട് ഒപ്പീനിയൻ വരുത്തുവാനും ഗവമ്മെണ്ടിനു വിരോധമില്ല.

മിസ്റ്റർ കെ. എസ്സ്. പണിക്കർ: ഈ കേസ് പിൻവലിക്കുവാനായിട്ടു വല്ല റപ്രസെന്റേഷനും ഉണ്ടായിരുന്നുവോ?

മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. കെ. നായർ: സ്റ്റാമ്പ് ഒട്ടിച്ച ഹർജികളുണ്ടായിരുന്നു. റപ്രസെന്റേഷനൊന്നും ഉണ്ടായിട്ടില്ല.

4. Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

1. was there a case recently preferred by the Trichur Municipality regarding the adulteration of ghee;
2. if so what has become of it;
3. is it a fact that the case was withdrawn on the order of the Government of Cochin, Ministry for Rural Development;
4. are the Municipalities included among the transferred subjects;
5. was this suit filed under the orders of the Municipality;
6. has the Commissioner power to withdraw the case without the consent of the Municipal Council;
7. has the Commissioner power to spend the Municipal money without the consent of the Council?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):*

1. Yes.
2. It was withdrawn.
3. Yes.
4. No.
5. No.
6. Yes.
7. The Commissioner has power to spend the Municipal money subject to the conditions provided in the Municipal Act and rules thereunder and the Municipal Account Code for all items of expenditure included in the budget which is sanctioned by the Council and Government. For all items of expenditure not provided for in the budget, Council sanction has to be taken.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Has the executive authority power to spend all that is provided for in the Budget behind the Council?

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* His powers are limited up to Rs. 200. If the amonnt exceeds Rs. 200 he has to obtain the Council's sanction. The last section is to the effect that all the provisions of the Food Adulteration Act will be supplementary to the Municipal Act.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Has the executive authority power to spend all that is provided for in the budget. Here it is said "for all items of expenditure not provided for in the budget, Council sanction has to be taken". I want to know whether the executive authority has power to spend all that is provided for in the budget.

Mr. M. Sivarama Menon *(Advocate-General):* There are certain limits placed under the rules. Up to Rs. 200 he has power to spend. Beyond that he must take the sanction of the Council.

5. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to state whether the report contained in "Deepam" of 1st March 1944 is a correct record of the Hon'ble Minister's statement to the Press on 26th February 1944?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* It is the substance of the Minister's talk to the Press representatives.

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Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* There was a sentence in that article "പി. പി. ദേവസ്സിയുടെ വക്കാലത്തുണ്ടായിരുന്നതുകൊണ്ടല്ല കേസുകൾ പിൻവലിച്ചത്." The meaning is these cases were withdrawn not because Mr. P. P. Devassy filed a vakkalath. Does it mean to say that Mr. Devassy had filed a vakkalath in the connection?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* He did not.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Why did not the Hon'ble Minister refute that statement in the paper?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* I did not think it necessary to refute that.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* May I know when these cases referred to in the question were withdrawn?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* 16th August 1944.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* The date of the article mentioned here is 26th February 1944. Is that correct, Sir? February is months prior to October when the cases were withdrawn.

Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* I have put the date correctly. I don't know who is responsible for the mistake.

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* I must verify it.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

6. **Mr. K. Kunhirama Menon** *(Cheruthuruthi):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) if they have noticed an article in the "Gomathi" paper dated 28th October 1944 regarding Public Service Commission and the Staff Selection Board;

(*b*) if so, whether the facts mentioned therein are true?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):*

(*a*) Yes, a report from the Special Correspondent.

(*b*) Yes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Sir, may I request that No. 7 also on the same subject may be answered now so that they may be effectively tackled.

Mr. President: Order, order. Each Hon'ble Member is entitled to put his own question. If the Hon'ble Member in whose name the question appears on the paper wishes his question to be put along with some other Hon'ble Members', he must obtain that Hon'ble Member's concurrence.

Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar *(Nellayi):* I may be allowed to put that question also along with this.

Mr. President: Certainly.

7. **Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar** *(Nellayi):* Will Government be pleased to state what action has been taken by Government on the decision of this Council regarding the establishment of Public Service Commission in the State?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* A committee has been appointed to examine this question and report.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* May I know Sir, what is the object of the appointment of this committee.

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* The terms of reference are published in the Gazette.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan *(Vadakkancheri):* Can they be disclosed, Sir?

Mr. V. K. Bhaskara Menon *(Cranganur):* It is already disclosed. It is published in the Gazette.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhutassan *(Vadakkancheri):* May I know, Sir, whether it is the opinion of the Government that a report of an *ad hoc* committee consisting of a much smaller number of members than the Members of this House will be more useful to the Government in taking action on the majority opinion of this Council?

Rama Varmha Tampuran *(Secretary to Government):* This being a very complicated question affecting vitally several classes of people and several communities it was thought that it would be better to entrust the work to a small committee which can go into the question in greater details than this House as we are composed can do. Therefore, it was thought that it would be necessary to have the report of a special committee on the subject.

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